

September 9, 2011

September 11 Anniversary Events:

- At 8:46 a.m., EDT, September 11, 2001 the first jet hit one of the World Trade Center twin towers in New York City. At 7:46 a.m. CDT, Sunday, September 11, 2011, a special emergency dispatch will be issued to commemorate the attacks on the United States and the heroic responses of public safety personnel, other first-responders and volunteers. Emergency personnel from Franklin and Williamson County will gather on the Franklin Square for this dispatch. Following the dispatch, a moment of silence will be observed and the flags located on the square will be lowered to half staff. Flags at all of Franklin's Fire Stations and the City's Police Headquarters will be lowered at that time as well. The City will also display a flag commemorating the 9/11 10th Anniversary presented to the City by the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.
- Franklin Firefighters will participate in the second annual Nashville 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb at the William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower in downtown Nashville later that morning. They will join the 343 total firefighters who will climb 110 stories in remembrance of the New York Firefighters who died 10 years ago at the Twin Towers. All of the proceeds from this event benefit the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, whose mission is to honor fallen fire heroes and assist their families and coworkers.
- At 10:00 a.m., Sunday, two individuals from the Franklin Police and Fire Departments will be honored at the Full Life Assembly of God's annual Hope Awards. Police Officer Brett Spivy and his K9 partner, Axel were nominated for his work for the Franklin Police department and more than 34 drug seizures in Franklin this year. Firefighter Eddie Proctor was nominated for his dedication to his craft and professionalism on the job. The Hope Award is an annual recognition of emergency personnel who have excelled in their job, and in some unique way given hope to our community. The ceremony coincides with a remembrance of the men and women who selflessly gave their lives in service to others on September 11, 2001. The church is located at 814 Oak Meadow Drive, in Franklin.
- Later on Sunday, Franklin Mayor Dr. Ken Moore will speak at a service at St. Andrew Lutheran Church at 4:00 p.m. for a Community Service of Remembrance and Hope. St. Andrew is located at 908 Murfreesboro Road, Franklin. Many other churches throughout the community will be remembering the 10th anniversary of the September 11th attacks as a part of their Sunday services and through other special services.
- In addition to the events on September 11, **Franklin TV will rebroadcast the one-year anniversary 9/11 broadcast with then Mayor Jerry Sharber, featuring a speech by a local Red Cross volunteer who responded to the terrorist attacks, and musical performances from local school children. Franklin Police Chief David Rahinsky and Fire Chief Rocky Garzarek** will give the video a new introduction. The video will air throughout the month of September. The program began airing Sunday, September 4, at 7:00 p.m. and will run several times through September 18th.

September 11th reflections: On Sunday morning, we will recognize and remember the events of September 11, 2001. That terrible day carries so much meaning for so many across the United States

and around the world. For those of us working in local government and public service, the day carries additional meaning. On that day, many public servants working in local government stepped up and offered their all to their fellow human being. Many first responders offered the ultimate sacrifice, giving their lives to save others. No words can adequately pay tribute to their efforts. Remember those lost that day. Be inspired by the bravery and devotion to service displayed through selfless acts, known and unknown. It is an honor and a calling to work in public service. I am proud of the efforts made by each of you every day to serve the community and to "be there" when a citizen needs your help. Thank you.

This week's Williamson Herald shared the story of service and care provided by the crew at Fire Station 2 to an Ohio family (got to love those folks from Ohio!) who were involved in a vehicle accident on I-65. The firefighters who assisted the family were Battalion Chief Gentry Fox, Captain Greg Wild, Lt. Rip Baxter, Engineers Richard Hasley and Larry Woody, Firefighter-Paramedic James Miller, and Firefighters Kris Bull, Daniel Donegan and Jason Morgan. Thank you, Station 2, for going the extra mile for this family. Great work. This story made the front page of this week's Williamson Herald. Here's the link: http://www.williamsonherald.com/home?id=77029

Who wants to play United Way Kickball? It's time to start getting your teams ready for the



September 30th event at **Fieldstone Park Ball fields from 9am to 1pm**. See your department manager or United Way representative about setting up a team. **This team is from the Franklin Police Department, they are always a strong competitor**. We have also opened it up to nearby localities to play. Also set as another fund raiser is a 5K at **The Park at Harlinsdale** on November 12. More details on both to come soon.

BNS's Shanna McCoy is the winner of the Mayor's parking spot next week! MaryAnn Buentello, nominated Shanna after the Administration office received a complimentary letter of Shanna. The letter said, "I would like to call attention to Ms. Shanna McCoy in BNS for her excellent customer relations skills. She is always a very pleasant and gracious person, professional in her relations to people seeking assistance and is an excellent representative of the City." Signed by Bob Haemmerlein, Tennessee Valley Homes. Shanna will begin parking in the Mayor's spot on Monday, September 12-16. If you see someone doing a good job, nominate them at agoodjob@franklintn.gov.

Have a nice weekend. Thank you for all you do.

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